

**Island Energy Plan Committee**  
**Wednesday, March 9, 2011**  
**Town Hall, Old Town Road**  
**12:00 noon**

Present: Chair Peter Baute, Dave Simmons, Ken Lacoste, Sam Bird and John Warfel. Committee members Barbara MacMullan, Kevin Hoyt, Scott Comings and Russell Littlefield were absent. Also present were Planner Jane Weidman and for the recording of minutes Deputy Town Clerk Millie McGinnes.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Baute at 12:15 p.m.

**Review and Approve Minutes from February 2, 2011**

Dr. Baute made a motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of February 2, 2011. Mr. Lacoste seconded the motion and it carried.

5 Ayes (Baute, Simmons, Lacoste, Bird, Warfel)    0 Nays  
4 Absent (Hoyt, Littlefield, MacMullan, Comings)

**Review Latest Energy Plan Draft**

The Energy Plan draft was reviewed and the following comments and changes were made:

- Under the Background – Electric Power Generation and Distribution – Distribution System section, reword the text to reflect the savings into gallons of fuel instead of a dollar amount.
- Also under the Distribution System, Mr. Bird will draft language regarding the benefits of underground power lines.
- Under the Energy Use section regarding residential well/water usage:
  - Mr. Simmons will estimate the residential well water usage on island.
  - Mr. Bird will research the payback of the use of Variable Frequency Drives on residential wells.
- Mr. Bird drafted language regarding propane and fuel oil usage that will be incorporated into the draft. Mr. Bird will add a notation regarding propane boilers.
- Under Building Regulations – Mr. Bird submitted very detailed language. He will pare the section down.
- The residential WECS section will be combined with the general renewables section.
- A “right to dry” and “right to solar” ordinance will be added to the Implementing Actions Table.

Discussion ensued regarding the responsibilities of following and coordinating the implementation of the Energy Plan going forward (convene a committee, assign portions to existing entities, Town Council responsibility, etc.).

Ms. Weidman stated that she had a list of four items under Goals and Objectives – Electric Power Generation and Distribution – Implementing Actions that need further discussion.

At 1:40 p.m. Mr. Warfel left the meeting adjourning the quorum.

Millie McGinnes  
Deputy Town Clerk

Approved: April 13, 2011